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SUBJECT: CALL ON SOVIET AMBASSADOR

1. I PAID COURTESY CALL AUGUST 28 ON SOVIET AMBASSADOR RAZDUKHOV (WHO SERVED IN PEKING 1962-1968 AND SPEAKS CHINESE) AND DURING CONVERSATION HE MENTIONED THAT RECENT ISSUE OF "CHINA NEWS ANALYSIS" (CNA) CONTAINED TEXT OF SPEECH DELIVERED BY CHIANG CHING IN MAY OR JUNE ON SUBJECT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. RAZDUKHOV ASSUMED FROM THIS THAT CHIANG CHING HAS BEEN GIVEN NEW RESPONSIBILITIES IN CONNECTION WITH FOREIGN POLICY. (HE ALSO NOTED THAT CHIANG CHING SPEECH CONTAINED SOME CRITICAL REFERENCES TO U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE.)

2. WOULD APPRECIATE COPY OF CHIANG CHING SPEECH, EITHER FROM "CHINA NEWS ANALYSIS" OR OTHER CONVENIENT SOURCE.

3. FROM MY CONVERSATION WITH RAZDUKHOV, IT APPEARS THAT SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY KEEPS SENIOR SOVIET DIPLOMATS ABROAD WELL INFORMED ABOUT PRC DEVELOPMENTS. IT TURNED OUT THAT RAZDUKHOV DID NOT HAVE ORIGINAL CNA ARTICLE BUT HAD RECEIVED TRANSLATION OF IT IN RUSSIAN. THIS RECALLS CONVERSATION I HAD IN PEKING LAST MAY WITH SOVIET AMBASSADOR TOLSTIKOV WHO DISCUSSED WITH ME RALPH CLOUGH'S BOOK ON US-USSR-PRC-JAPANESE RELATIONS IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION, A REVIEW OF WHICH HAD BEEN SENT TO HIM

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